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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action, mailed June 9, 1999. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments in the present Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in order to present the Claims in a better form for Appeal.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

2. (amended) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
 - c) obtaining a primary cell population from said human [immunized adult] comprising T cells capable of secreting cytokines;
 - d) adding said primary cell population to said microwell comprising a hydrophobic membrane having a first cytokine binding ligand, under conditions such that said T cell secretes a cytokine that binds to said first cytokine binding ligand; and
 - e) detecting said secreted T cell cytokine.